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Method And Information System For Non-Random Selection Of Uniform

Structural And Functional Features For Tissue And Plant Product Processing

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated April 09, 2002 (Paper No. 10) (herein referred to as "Office Action").

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 18-0586.

In The Claims:

Please substitute the following amended claim for the pending claim with the same number:

(Amended) A method for non-random selection of a raw product of a selected 1.

plant for processing into a uniform quality end product comprising the steps of:

(a) obtaining a sample of the raw product of the selected plant;

(b) analyzing the sample to determine at least one structural or functional index associated with the raw product;

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